



# Broadband Technical Assistance

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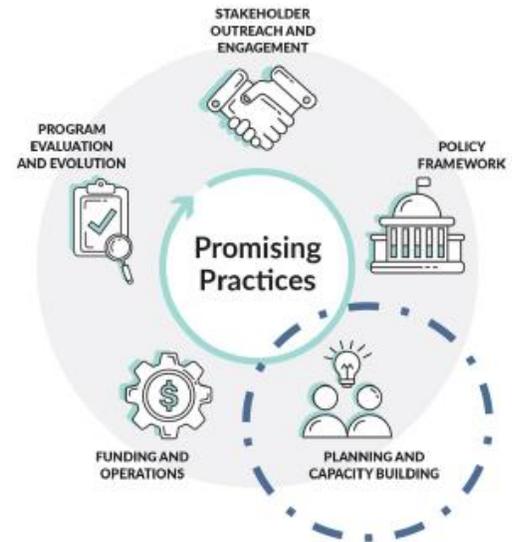
Technical assistance grants to local agencies and Tribal governments reimburse pre-construction expenses in advance of broadband deployment.

## Eligibility and Timing

Eligible local agencies include any local government agency authorized to provide broadband service in California.

Eligible Tribes include any California Tribe (with and without federal recognition).

These entities may apply for technical assistance grants after the program begins accepting applications in the summer of 2022 (date to be announced).



## Reimbursable Expense Examples

Funds will reimburse pre-construction expenses to provide broadband connections to unserved and underserved areas. Examples of expenses that may be reimbursed:

- Consultant or staff time for environmental studies, network design, engineering studies, needs assessments, and broadband strategic plans.
- Costs incurred in forming a joint powers authority for bringing broadband to communities in need.

## Learn More

Further information on the CPUC website:

<https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/industries-and-topics/internet-and-phone/broadband-implementation-for-california/local-agency-technical-assistance>

Information on the separate CPUC Tribal Technical Assistance Program:

<https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/about-cpuc/divisions/news-and-public-information-office/business-and-community-outreach/tribal-office/tribal-grants>

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